

REMARKS

In paragraph 1 of the Action, the drawings were objected to. In view of the objection, corrected Fig. 21 has been filed.

In paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Action, it was requested to correct minor errors of the specification. In this respect, the specification has been reviewed, and clerical errors of the specification have been amended.

In paragraph 4 of the Action, claims 1-11 were objected to. In paragraphs 7 and 8 of the Action, claims 1, 2 and 5 were rejected by JP 8-192565 and JP 11-151852. However, in paragraphs 9 and 10 of the Action, claims 3, 4 and 6-11 were objected to and were indicated to be allowable if amended properly.

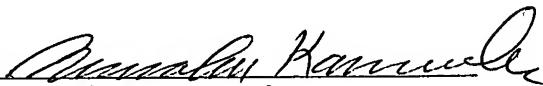
In view of the rejections and indication of allowability, claim 3 has been cancelled, and claims 1, 4 and 6 have been amended. In particular, the subject matter of cancelled claim 3 has been incorporated into claim 1, and claim 4 has been amended to an independent form. In claim 6, clerical errors have been amended.

Accordingly, it is believed that the claims pending in the application are allowable over the prior art.

Reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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